

Notices to Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
CO. COMPANY, LIMITED.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Taising*, having
arrived from the above Ports. Con-
signees of Cargo by her are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.,
at West Point, whence delivery may be
obtained.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
5th May will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 28, 1888. 684

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above
Company, are authorized to insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.
GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

NOTICE.

THE MAN OF INSURANCE COMPANY
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

THE above Company is prepared to ac-
cept MARINE RISKS at Current
Rates on Goods, &c. Policies payable to
all parts of the World payable at any of its
Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, December 2, 1887. 2349

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.
Policies at current rates, payable either
here, in London, or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
25,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 496

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to ACCEPT
RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 15, 1887. 1340

To-day's Advertisements.

The Sale has been Postponed
for a Week owing to the
inclement weather.

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD
PROPERTY
TO BE SOLD IMMEDIATELY.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION
pursuant to a Decree of the Supreme
Court of Hongkong, made in a cause
TAN KUAN SHI v. YAU MI HO, No. 42 of
1878, with the Approbation of the
Attorney General, by Mr. J. M. AMESON,
the Person appointed by the said Court,
upon the respective Premises on the days
hereinafter mentioned viz:—

On THURSDAY,
the 10th DAY OF MAY, 1888, at 3 o'clock
IN THE AFTERNOON.

In FIVE LOTS, the very Valuable Block
of BUILDINGS, situate on MARINE
LOR No. 44, MARINE LOR No. 125A,
and Section B of MARINE LOR No. 4,
and in the best and most Central Chi-
nese Business Portion of the City,
and with frontages to three important
Public Streets, viz:—Bonham Strand,
Wing Lok Street and Cross Street,
and comprising Nos. 1 and 2, Cross Street,
and Nos. 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31 and 33,
Wing Lok Street, and Nos. 31, 33, 35,
37, 39, 41, 43 and 45, Bonham Strand.
Owing to the favorable situation of this
Property, the Owner or Owners
thereof can always count upon securing
good Tenants.

On FRIDAY,
the 11th DAY OF MAY, 1888, at 3 o'clock
IN THE AFTERNOON.

In SIX LOTS, the Valuable PROPERTY,
situate on INLAND LOR No. 250 in the
best part of Hollywood Road, and
comprising Nos. 209 and 211, Hollywood
Road, and Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4,
Ng Kwai Fong, also the THREE-
STORY HOUSE, No. 132, Hol-
lywood Road, situate on the Remaining
Portion of INLAND LOR No. 384, and
the THREE HOUSES, Nos. 14, 16
and 18, Possession Street, situate on
INLAND LOR No. 212, and the Remaining
Portion of INLAND LOR No. 212B.

On SATURDAY,
the 12th DAY OF MAY, 1888, at 3 o'clock
IN THE AFTERNOON.

In ONE LOT, a Piece of Vacant GROUND,
Registered as INLAND LOR No. 472,
and situate at Bowington between
Matheson and Percival Streets, and
suitable for the erection of Kerosene
Godowns.

The Sale Plans can be seen at the Office
of Messrs. WATSON & DEACON, Solicitors,
and at Mr. J. M. AMESON's, the Auctioneer.

Particulars and Conditions of Sale may
be obtained on application at the Offices of
Messrs. WATSON & DEACON, Solicitors,
Hongkong, of Messrs. CALDWELL & WIL-
KINSON, Solicitors, Hongkong, of Mr.
EWING, Solicitor, Hongkong, or of Mr. WIL-
SON, Solicitor, Hongkong, and of Mr. J.
M. AMESON, Auctioneer.

Dated this 3rd day of May, 1888.

ALFRED G. WISE,
Acting Registrar of the Supreme
Court.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
Peking.

Captain G. HUBERMAN,
will be despatched for the
above Port on SATURDAY, the 5th Inst.,
at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, May 3, 1888. 721

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND
TAIWANFOO.

The Co.'s Steamship
Thales.

Captain HUNTER, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on SUNDAY, the 6th Instant, at
9 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, May 3, 1888. 719

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship
Stratford.

C. W. PEARSON, Com'r, will
be despatched for the
above Port on or about the 12th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 3, 1888. 722

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SILVER SPOON COMPETITION.

OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

A SILVER SPOON will be shot for
EVERY SATURDAY AFTERNOON,
at 4 o'clock.

No Entrance Fee.—7 Shots at 200 yards.
A Handicap of 3 points for 1st Spoon and
one point for every subsequent Spoon won.

A. SHULTON HOOPER,
Honorary Secretary.
Hongkong, May 3, 1888. 718

HONGKONG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THE MIDSUMMER TERM will Com-
mence on MONDAY, the 7th Instant,
at 9 a.m.

New Pupils will be entered on SATUR-
DAY, the 5th Instant, at 10 a.m.

C. J. BATEMAN,
Head Master.
Hongkong, May 3, 1888. 720

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the
SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will
be held at the HONGKONG DISPENSARY, on
MONDAY, the 14th day of May next, at
3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose
of receiving the Report of the General
Manager, together with a Statement of
Accounts to the 31st December, 1887.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES will be
CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 5th Inst.,
at 10 a.m., the 14th Inst., both days
inclusive, during which period no Transfer
of Shares can be registered.

JOHN WILLMOTT,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, May 3, 1888. 717

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debts contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ALICE ROWE, Hawaiian brig, Captain J.
Phillips.—Wielor & Co.

CENTENNIAL, American ship, Captain I.
M. Bourne.—Russell & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 3, 1888.—

Hever, German steamer, from Whampoa.

Canton, British steamer, 1,110, J. Bromer.

Shanghai April 29, and Swatow May 2.

General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Thales, British steamer, 820, W. Y. Hun-
ter, Taiwanfoe via Amoy, and Swatow May
2, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Hidropes, British steamer, 1,899, S.
Basson, Shanghai May 1, Mails and General.
—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Velocity, British barque, 491, R. Martin,
Honolulu March 21st Ballast.—PUSPAU &
Co.

Carisbrook, British str., 973, R. Oas,
Saigon April 3, Rio.—MORRIS & RAY.

Peking, German steamer, from Whampoa.

DEPARTURES.

May 3.—

Feije, for Hongkong.

Amoy, for Shanghai.

Glengyle, for Shanghai.

Dynaford, for Port Said.

Fidelfo, for Tokyo.

Norah, for Swatow.

Kutsum, for Whampoa.

Prism, for Amoy and Shanghai.

Changsha, for Port Darwin and Sydney.

Canton, for Whampoa.

Nymoa, for Coast Ports.

Emerald, for Kobe.

New Guinea, for Shanghai.

Taiyung, for Singapore and Calcutta.

Rambler, British sloop, for a cruise.

CLEARED.

Anton, for Hoihow and Pakhoi.

Gazette, for Hongkong.

Lady Harcourt, for Tokyo.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Canton, from Shanghai, Mr. Rooney,
and 84 Chinese.

Per Thales, from Coast Ports, 64 Chinese.

Per Hydopas, from Shanghai, Miss
Reuter, Major Churchill, and servant,
Messrs H. P. Tennant, C. S. Adis, Wil-
liams, E. D. Hannan, Mrs. Ah Ping and
Miss Ann, A. Munro, J. M. Hunter,
and 6 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Feije, for Hongkong, 4 Europeans,
and 35 Chinese.

Per Amoy, for Shanghai, 1 European,
and 40 Chinese.

Per Glengyle, for Shanghai, 10 Europeans,
and 20 Chinese.

Per Norah, for Swatow, 50 Chin and
6 Chinese.

Per Glengyle, for Yokohama, Mr. W.
Lima.

Per Nymoa, for Amoy, Mr. Moyano;
for Fookchow, Mr. and Mrs. Gallin, and Mr.

Mrs. England and child, Mr. and Mrs. Heath,
Messrs W. J. Robinson and G. Slade.

Per Emerald, for Kobe, Mr. and Mrs.
O. S. Lindley, Mr. J. M. Stoddart, Capt.
Russell, and 6 Europeans.

TO DEPART.

Per Anton, for Hoihow, 50 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Canton* reports
Shanghai to Swatow, moderate and fine,
fog off Swatow. From Swatow thick rainy
weather. On May 1st, spoke British barque
Mary Stewart, off Amoy.

The British steamer *Thales* reports
Swatow to Chelang Point severe thunder-
storm and much rain; thence to port fresh
N.E. wind and rain. In Swatow, steamers
Hai Phong, *Mei Foo* and *Penchoi*.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Kornwall*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday,
the 4th inst.

For STRAITS & BOMBAY.—
Per *Lombardy*, at 2.30 p.m., on Friday,
the 4th inst.

For SAIGON.—
Per *Septima*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the
4th inst.

For HAI PHONG.—
Per *Ma Te*, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 4th
inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA,
Per *Hydopas*, at 5 p.m., on Monday,
the 7th May.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Septima*, at 1.30 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 8th May.

For KORE, YOKOHAMA, VANCOU-
VER B.C. & SAN FRANCISCO.—
Per *Zumbra*, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 8th inst.

The following hours will be observed in
closing the ENGLISH MAIL per *Thales* on
SATURDAY, the 6th instant. The Money
Order Office will be closed at 5 the day
before.

8.00 a.m.—Posting of Prices Current and
Circulars ceases.

(Prices Current and Circulars may
however be posted up to 10 o'clock
if they are tied in bundles, country
by country, with the addresses all
one way).

10.00 a.m.—Registry ceases.

10.30 a.m.—Posting of Newspapers,
Books, and Patterns ceases.

11.00 a.m.—Mail closes.

LATE LETTERS may be posted (from
11.10 a.m.) with 10 cents late fee up to
11.30 a.m., after which hour they may
be sent on Board with the same Late
Fee.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.—
The German Contract Packet *Bayern*
will be despatched on WEDNESDAY,
the 9th inst., with Mails for the
United Kingdom, Europe, and con-
tinents beyond, via *Brindisi*; to the
Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo,
Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta,
&c., &c.

Registry ceases at 2 p.m. Late Letters till
3.30 p.m. with 10 cents extra postage.
Correspondence should be marked *PER
GERMAN MAIL*, or with the name of the
Packet.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—*Perma* leaves for Swatow, &c.
3 p.m.—*Lombardy* leaves for B'ny, &c.

Meeting.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zeland Lodge.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Steamer *Djemnah* unclaimed
after Noon subject to rent.

Goods per *Ma* undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED

THEIR

ANNUAL SUPPLY

of

LAWN GRASS SEED

and

SWEET CORN,

for

IMMEDIATE SOWING.

HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, March 1, 1888. 351

BIRTHS.

At Shanghai, on 20th April, the Wife of
Wm. HAYWARD, of a Daughter.

At Fair Lawn, Reading, on the 23rd
April, the Wife of A. LIBERT, of a Son.

DEATH.

On board the s.s. *Chung King*, on the 25th
April, 1888, JAMES CRAIG KIRKPATRICK,
Second Engineer, aged 26 years.

The publication of this issue commences
on 7.55 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1888.

THE decision of the Australian Colo-
nies to exclude all Chinese emigrants
will not surprise anyone who has been
watching the progress of events there
during the last few months. The feeling against
Chinese has become intensified every year,
and recently it rose to such a pitch as to
force the Governments in all the Colonies to
consult as to joint action. Till within
the last month or so the Northern Territory,
a tropical country, was free to the Chinese,
who looked there in considerable numbers.
It was discovered, however, that the Chi-
nese easily found their way from the North-
ern Territory into the other Colonies, thus
escaping the £10 poll tax. An agitation
arose also in the Northern Territory against
the Chinese, who had become more
numerous than Europeans and had
monopolised the retail trade. An agita-
tor, M. V. L. Solomon, was sent
practically to 'stamp' the continent
against the Chinese, and as the result of
his labours and of the petitions that were
sent to the Government of South Aus-
tralia, the £10 poll tax was extended to the
Northern Territory. It might be thought
that this measure would have contented
the Australians for some time, as their
most weighty organs recognised that with
a £10 poll tax in all the Australian colonies
there was little fear of the country being
flooded with immigrants. Meantime, how-
ever, a despatch had come from the Imperial
Government enclosing a memorial by the
Chinese ambassador in London protesting
against the imposition of a poll-tax. This
seems to have acted like a red handkerchief
to a bull and to have brought matters
to a crisis. A joint reply was, if we
remember rightly, cable to the Home
Government insisting on the necessity for
stringent restriction. We scarcely think
there has been time for a reply to this mes-
sage. At any rate there has not been time
for the due consideration of such a very
important matter and for arrangements
being made with China in order to have a
new treaty drafted, just as America is at
present drafting a treaty to secure the same
ends. It seems evident that the Colonial
Governments, under pressure from the mob,
have acted in disregard of all treaties and
in such a manner as responsible Govern-
ments would never dream of doing. Were
any other country but China concerned
the Imperial Government would be at once
asked whether it approved the action of its
Colonies or not. If it approved, war might
ensue, and if it did not approve, it would be
called upon to bring its dependencies to
order at once. As the matter stands it is
difficult to say what the issue will be. The
Home Government interferes as little as
possible with the independent colonies and
will feel loath to oppose them in a matter
in which they feel so keenly. There must,
however, be at least a semblance of regard
for international treaties, and we should think
that the Imperial Government will in-
sist that redress be given in cases of hard-
ship and that the formalities of the law of
nations be complied with.

The Australian people will not, we think,
rise in the estimation of the world by
their conduct with regard to the Chi-
nese. Their objection to John Chinaman
is purely selfish. The other day we
reproduced a speech by the Premier of
Australia, in which he says:—'So far as I
have been able to observe the Chinese in
our country, they are a steady, industrious,
law-abiding, peaceable people, and they
certainly have performed many duties in
certain provinces of industry which have

been of great advantage to the people of the
colony. (Hear, hear.) I think that in some respects they are a
superior set of people, and we know they
belong to a nation of old and deep-rooted
civilisation. We know the beautiful results
of their handicrafts. We know how won-
derful are their powers of imitation, their
endurance, and their patient labour. It is
for these very qualities that I do not want
them to come here. (Hear, hear.) I will
explain why the question must at all times
be considered in the light of the plain fact
that their nation consists of 400 millions of
persons, and it is because I believe our
first duty, the duty of the working
man and the capitalist, the duty of the
illiterate and the most cultivated, the duty,
in fact, of all classes to preserve in these
Australian colonies the British type against
all other nations, that I do not want these
people to settle amongst us. (Applause.)
There is no attempt here at concealing the
motives for the expulsion of the Chinese.
They work cheaply, are diligent and patient
and consequently are not wanted. We have
all along maintained that it would not be
for the welfare of humanity generally if the
Europeans in Australia were swamped by
Chinese. A poll-tax was therefore perhaps
justifiable. But total prohibition cannot,
we think, be justified on any humanitarian
grounds. Australia is a vast continent of
land, practically only the sea-board is in-
habited and, there is no doubt that the Chi-
nese, admitted in limited numbers, would
help forward the development of the
country, especially the tropical parts of
it. We are convinced that even if the
Home Government do not interfere, the
Australians themselves, when they come to
pay higher prices for all their commodities
and find their trade with China reduced,
will see that they have made a big mistake.

The Hon. A. P. MacEwen, the elected re-
presentative of the Chamber of Commerce
in the Legislative Council, leaves for Home
by the German mail steamer *Bayern* on Wed-
nesday, the 9th inst. It is not improbable
that the hon. member will succeed in stimu-
lating the interest still felt in the Legisla-
tive Council proceedings once more before
his departure. Even although the Senior
Unofficial Member (Mr. Ryrie) has been
lately showing the good form of his younger
days, still the Council Chamber and the
public will not fail to miss the stirring in-
fluence of the Chamber's representative.

In this sense of eliciting information from
the Government, there can be no doubt
that Mr. MacEwen has fully earned the con-
fidence of his constituents, the Chamber
of Commerce and the public. He has done
a great deal of work, and although he may
have occasionally not been so fully in-
formed as he might have been, he has enabled
the Government frequently to convey to
the public information which has been very
acceptable to the community. It may
sometimes be inconvenient, from an official
point of view, to give information upon
certain subjects; but it cannot be denied
that the public have a right to know how
public works and other matters are proceed-
ing. We mention Public Works, because
they form a department of the Government
which swallows

